NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: El Capitan Rocky Intertidal Interpretive Sign

LOCATION: El Capitan State Beach

COUNTY: Santa Barbara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project is to install an interpretive sign panel in the day use area at El Capitan State Beach. The purpose of the sign is to provide interpretive information to park visitors about the rocky intertidal resources within the park. Funding for the project is provided by the Torch/Platform Irene Oil Spill Natural Resources Trustee Council. The sign will be located on the bluff at the west end of El Capitan Point and will be accessible via ADA compliant route. Sign pedestal installation will involve ground disturbance in an area previously disturbed for day use facilities. DPR standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project and can be obtained by contacting the environmental coordinator.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Channel Coast District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☐ Categorical Exemption

Class: 3, 11 Section: 15303, 15311

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including conditions provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and §15311 – Accessory Structures. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt Activities according to CEQA § 15300.4 as:

- "Construction or installation of park facilities such as kiosks, restrooms, small parking lots, interpretive signing or panels..." (Class 3, Section 15303); and
- "Installation of signs" (Class 11, Section 15311)

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